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ONE CENT

RETRENCHMENT POLICY FELT IN THIS VALLEY

Pennsy Feels it Necessary to Take Off Two Trains

**GENERAL CUTS MADE
Sixty-Three Trains on Lines
East of Pittsburgh Are
Reduced**

Two new trains on the Monongahela division of the Pennsylvania Railroad will be discontinued on September 15, when the retrenchment policy of the system will be made most noticeable by the removal all told of 63 trains on the lines east of Pittsburgh. The Monongahela valley trains which will come off will be train No. 261, northbound starting at Brownsville and due in Charleroi at 10:08 at night and train No. 260 from Pittsburgh to Brownsville due in Charleroi at 8:02 at night. The general reduction on the Pennsylvania system will include in addition to the discontinuance of the 63 trains the usual autumn reductions in the seashore schedule.

The Pennsylvania Railroad has not been at all satisfied with its earnings, and this is at the bottom of the present retrenchment. Usually changes are made in November, but this year's developments have led to the adoption of a different policy.

On April 1 the Pennsylvania annulled 118 passenger trains and some weeks previous 26 trains were discontinued, making a total of 144 trains cut from the schedules. In addition a number of trains were discontinued on the Pennsylvania Lines West, as well as in the suburban service in the vicinity of Pittsburgh. In the last six years the Pennsylvania has operated an average of 2280 trains daily on the Eastern lines, so the cancellation of 212 trains as announced this year means a considerable curtailment in service.

The curtailment in service made earlier in the year, it was estimated, would effect a saving to the Pennsylvania of \$2,000,000 a year, provided the reductions remained in effect that long.

The Pennsylvania has been systematic in its efforts at retrenchment. On some of its eastern connections it has cut down on the style and quantity of schedules and thereby created a saving.

MIKESELL STOPS SALE OF REACHES; MEASURES WRONG

A booming peach market being conducted in the Washington railroad yards was brought to a sudden stop for a time Friday by O Evans Mikesell, sealer of weights and measures for Washington county.

Mikesell found that 22 pounds of peaches were being sold for 24 pounds, or a half bushel, and the sale was stopped until the original packages had been broken and made up into half bushels, giving the dealer an actual 24 pounds.

LIVERYMAN HUNTS FOR HORSE THAT CANNOT BE FOUND

Police throughout the Monongahela valley are searching for a horse and buggy which was hired at Donora Sunday evening, and which as yet has not been returned. The rig was secured from the Raul's livery at that place. The couple in question gave no names, but the young man while in conversation with the proprietor, stated that at one time he had belonged to the United States Army.

The horse is described as being a bay gelding weighing about 1100 pounds. The buggy was black with red running gears.

May Move Postoffice

**Folk at Bentleyville Petition
For Change From The
Present Location**

Petitions have been circulated regarding the removal of the Bentleyville postoffice from its present quarters in the Lizzie Richardson building to a larger and better building. Several protests have been made by citizens regarding the removal. The common thought is however that the postoffice will be moved to better quarters. William H. Hartman, the new postmaster is desirous of rendering the community the best service and will work to that end in the matter.

RAILROAD SALARIES COME DOWN

**Dayy Crocket Act to
be Effected by Eastern Carriers**

LOAD HEAVY, THEY SAY

Unless some means can be found to increase the revenues of the railroads of the country a sweeping reduction in salaries and wages is to follow, according to rumors heard in railroad circles. It was thought that some action might be taken at the first fall meeting of the directors of the Pennsylvania Railroad, which usually would have been held this week. Because of the absence of President Samuel Rea and the fact that other directors in Philadelphia were out of the city no meeting was called, so the matter cannot come before the board until two weeks hence. If the railroads adopt such drastic action it is likely that the Pennsylvania will take the lead and the other carriers follow, as has been the case in many other movements in which the Pennsylvania took the initiative.

The railroads claim they are faced with a situation unparalleled in their history. Taxes and wages are greater than ever before in American railroad operation, which gross revenues, which have been falling off for some months, have taken a sharp drop, due to the European conflict, which has retarded the movement of imports and exports.

The award in the conductor's and trainmen's wage case expires October 1. The awards in the cases of the engineers and firemen, both of which were to run for one year from date of rendering have expired. Thus in a few weeks the railroads which were included in the wage agreements will be free to reduce wages if such action is found imperative. On the Pennsylvania it is customary to give thirty days' notice of any change in wage schedules. If a reduction is made it is believed it will be extended to everyone in service, from the president down to the employes on the lowest rung of the railroad ladder.

Some years ago the Pennsylvania made a cut in salaries and wages along the lines suggested and they were restored when conditions improved. Whether it will be necessary for the railroads to again resort to such drastic action will hinge to a large degree upon the results of the conference held by President Wilson and a committee of six railroad presidents.

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TOO MUCH POLITICS AFFECTS BROWNSVILLE

**Folk There Object to Giving Out Hard Earned
Coin For Entertainment of Politicians at
Old Home Week**

With Brownsville's Old Home Week less than one month away, trouble has occurred that may be serious. West Brownsville folk have refused to contribute much needed hard cash on the theory that they aren't going to pay for the entertainment or reception of any class of political candidates, no matter for what office—and politicians were to have been among the chief guests. Officials cognizance has been given to the blank refusal. West Brownsville council has taken action not to donate. "However," they say cheerfully, "we will assist in any other way possible."

RETURNS FROM FROZEN COUNTRY

**Belle Vernon Man of Opinion
it is Too Cold at Spitzbergen**

IS GLAD TO BE BACK

James R. Bailey, of Belle Vernon who went last fall to Spitzbergen, Norway, for a two year stay, is back again and says he is well pleased to be back again in the good old United States after having had some very trying experiences.

Mr. Bailey told of his harrowing experience in getting back. "I had to walk 30 miles over ice to the boat," he said, "and in doing so fell through the pack ice many times through breaks in field and seal holes which are invisible owing to snow covering them up. I was roped to another man and thus both lives were saved. After 11 hours of it I arrived at the boat suffering much from Arctic thirst and my trials were by no means ended. For I found the boat was then blocked in by pack ice and provisions scarce. "We all had to take reduced rations but were lucky enough to kill a polar bear which while not very savory, was better than nothing, and we ate it with some relish after all. Our drinking water was secured from the tops of the smaller icebergs. "The boat in attempting to force her way through the ice was stove in below the water line and in a sinking condition, but the hole was plugged up sufficiently to keep her afloat until we met a seal boat which we secured to take us through the ice pack to Tromso. I got through the North Sea before the war commenced, stopped in England, had a rather exciting time in getting through, but I tell you I am mighty glad to be back home and will possibly locate in Belle Vernon, never to leave again."

Star Theatre
Saturday 10 a. m. to 11:30 p. m. Continuous. That big feature, "Atlantis," in 6 reels. Similar to Titanic disaster. \$75,000 production. All that can come in day time avoid rush at night. 55-16.

LATE WAR BULLETINS

Paris, Sept. 12.—A well authenticated report is that the Germans are in retreat, not only the left wing but the center of their army having been broken by the allies at Marne. From Berlin came denial of the reiterated statement that the Germans are fleeing from the allies.

Petrograd, Sept. 12.—The left wing of the Austrian army around Tomaszow and Rawa, in Russian Poland has been separated by the Russians, who have taken Tomaszow. German troops were repulsed with heavy losses in Russian Poland. Opoie and Tourbine were taken by Russian fighters. Serious fighting continues along the line from Rawa Ruska to the River Rnister.

Bordeaux, Sept. 12.—President Poincare cabled an emphatic denial to President Wilson that the French are using dum-dum bullets.

Berlin, Sept. 12.—Russians have attempted to force an entrance into

HOMESTEAD BANK BURGLARS KNOWN

**Youth Confesses and Implicates
Former Altoonian as
the Leader**

BEING HELD IN CHICAGO

That Frank G. Hohl who made a sensational escape from the Blair county jail at Hollidaysburg on April 11, where he was being held for trial for robbing the Union Bank at Altoona, March 23, last, committed the holdup and robbery at the First National Bank of Homestead, in August, is now believed by the police to have been established. Of the \$9,000 stolen by Hohl and his companion, Joseph Kaufman, aged 20, of Chicago, \$4,215 was returned to the bank by Kaufman through the Burns Detective agency in Pittsburgh, on August 24. Kaufman made a full confession to his lawyer, Attorney Booth of Chicago, turning the money over to Attorney Booth, who sent it to the local offices of the Burns Detective agency.

After robbing the bank Kaufman said he and Hohl had jumped into a black automobile but later transferred to a yellow car that the two had traveled in from Chicago to Pittsburgh. They went to Brownsville, then to Washington and Wheeling and through Ohio to Terra Haute, Ind., where they went by train to Chicago. Kaufman said the spoils were divided in Chicago and he parted with Hohl. Kaufman, who has always led a clean life, claims he was an unwilling accomplice. He is being held in Chicago and it is believed Hohl will write and the latter's whereabouts be discovered. Kaufman states he met Hohl in Chicago and came east with him on a trip not knowing Hohl planned the robbery until they reached Homestead.

Displaying Cup.
The cup awarded the Dunlevy soccer team, winners in the Pittsburgh Press Soccer league last year, is being displayed in the window of George S. Migh's store. Dunlevy is opening its season today by a game with Marown.

ENTERTAINMENT COURSE BOOKED FOR THE SEASON

**School Room
Much Needed**

**Bentleyville Temple of Learning
Crowded--Another
Teacher to be Named**

The condition in the Bentleyville public schools is prosperous at least in numbers. The board has nine teachers on its payroll at present and has advertised for two more competent teachers at a good salary. The Bentleyville high school has no building of its own and there are rumors and fears that this institution will be forced to evacuate the public school building should more teachers be employed. If this is true the possible location will be the F. & M. bank hall.

ROAD WORK HALTED AT NEW EAGLE

**Complications at County
Seat Mean Complaints
Along River**

HIGHWAY IMPASSABLE

Comment is being heard as the result of cessation of work on the Dry Run road, which has been closed and torn up to such an extent that it is now impassable. The cause for this discontinuance of the work is said to be due to misunderstandings between County Controller T. J. Underwood and the County Commissioners. Mr. Underwood refused to countersign the checks of the county commissioners in payment of estimates of contractors working on several roads in the county.

The fact that Mr. Underwood had refused to approve the contracts which had been advertised and let over the signature of H. R. Campbell chief clerk to the county commissioners and by their instructions, was a matter of news some weeks ago.

The Monongahela Times says: "The road, it is understood, has been closed and dug up until at present it is impassable and now as the fall and winter weather approaches it is going to be permitted to remain in this condition, which would mean untold inconvenience and suffering to users of this important highway in the coming months. The road is now in far worse shape than before the work started."

Democratic Meeting.
Democratic headquarters, third floor Masonic building, Tuesday night, September 15, at 7:30. Business of great importance. Every Democrat attend without fail. By order Democratic Precinct Committeemen. 5943

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The Ladies' Aid of the Washington Avenue Presbyterian church will hold their annual bazaar and dinner November 19 and 20. 5943

NIGHT SCHOOL

Announcement. See Douglass College ad on page 3. 56-16

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LECTURES PROGRAMMED

**Three Noted Men to Appear
--Marcus Kellerman Among
Musicians Coming**

What is declared to be the best group of entertainers ever engaged for a Charleroi entertainment course was decided upon Friday evening by the Citizens Entertainment Course executive committee. The Redpath-Brockway Lyceum bureau, of Pittsburgh will furnish the attractions.

The entertainments, which will begin about October 20, will consist of three lectures and three musical attractions. With these it is possible another attraction will be secured, providing the ticket sale warrants. The extra attraction will be free, if arranged, to all ticket holders.

The lecturers engaged for the course are Montraville Flowers, Thomas Brooks Fletcher and John Merritte Driver. All are noted men in the United States. Mr. Flowers is a Californian who has made particular study of the Japanese question, and is probable his lecture will be on this subject. Mr. Fletcher is known throughout the land as a student and lecturer. Mr. Driver was former pastor of the People's Church, of Chicago, of which Dr. Frank W. Gunsaulus, who was heard at the Charleroi Chautauqua last summer is now pastor.

The musical entertainments will consist of Marcus Kellerman and company, the Military Girls and the Schubert quartet. With Mr. Kellerman, who is widely known as a baritone singer, will be a cellist and pianist. The Military Girls, five in number, are singers and instrumentalists and the Schubert quartet is composed of singers. With them will travel a readers. The members of the executive committee are: Dr. T. M. Faddis, president; H. J. Booth, vice president; J. M. Hill, secretary; C. S. McKean, treasurer; Dr. J. W. Manon, Prof. I. T. Daniel, and Dr. H. J. Repman. Announcement of dates will be made soon.

PROMINENT COUPLE WEDDED AT MONESSEN, TAKING TRIP WEST

The marriage of Morse Ney and Miss Nelle Boore, two of Monessen's most popular young people, was one of the pleasing social events of the week. The marriage took place on Wednesday at 12 o'clock noon at the home of the bride's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Diehl of Oneida street, the ceremony being performed by Rev. Dr. Charles E. Keller, pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran church.

The ceremony was an extremely pretty one, the parlors being decorated to carry out, in one, the idea of spring, with delicate decorations of flowers, while the other, draped with autumn leaves and grapes, represented the autumn period of the year. The ceremony was performed in the opening of the two rooms. The bride was dressed in a charming costume of white crepe de chine and lace, and carried white asters. Her sister, Miss Lou Boore, who was the bride's attendant, was gowned in pink messaline, and carried pink asters. Mr. Diehl gave the bride away. Albert R. Ney, a brother of the groom, acted as best man. The wedding march, from Lohengrin, was played by Miss Sara Shutterly.

The couple left on the four o'clock train for their wedding trip to Milwaukee and Chicago. Upon their return they will reside in the bungalow recently built by the groom at the corner of Knox avenue and Oneida street, Monessen.

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REALLY, HAVE THEY NOT A GOOD CLAIM TO FRIENDSHIP?

Old Books, Old Wines, Old Friends
Held Up to Reverence, Why Not
the Memory of Laughter of
Past Years?

Why should we hail with such an appreciative and sympathetic gusto to poetic sentiment, "Old books, old wine and old friends," and yet hesitate to admit to that loving companionship "and old jokes"? Why should not the crown of immortality be openly placed upon the honored hero of an ancient anecdote? Why do we insist upon having our factious stories served like our buckwheat cakes, hot and fresh? Why do we sneeringly stigmatize a "twice-told" jest as a "chestnut" and a "bromide"? Why do we shun the companionship of the unfortunate wretch who repeats his stories? Why is such a reputation regarded as a certain symptom of senile dementia? Why has the name of "Joseph Miller" become a byword?

A man may repeat a thousand times a gem from Milton or Shakespeare, and society applauds his brilliancy, a writer in the Boston Herald asserts. Let him repeat an ancient bit of wit, and youth shakes its pitying head, and whispers, "He has fallen into his anecdote." As the poet says: "There's something more than natural in this if philosophy could find it out." For a good joke is as immortal as a good book. Nay, it is a rarer gem. For there are very few jests of the first order of the world.

But whenever you find an anecdote redolent with the exquisite aroma of true comedy, you will almost always find, after chemical analysis, that it is an old friend in a new disguise. Old jokes, like rare old masters, are being constantly restored for the joy of an unfamiliar age. We are laughing today over jests that shook the sides of Shakespeare and rare Ben Johnson; nay, that wrinkled the face of jolly Aristophanes; and have come to us as precious heirlooms through Rabelais and Boccaccio.

The very humorous journals that despise the "chestnut" and the "bromide" are serving us in the interstices stories, disguised in modern slang, that are centuries old. A very acute observer has confidently asserted that there are only seven original funny stories in the world. The whole brood of modern witticisms spring from those few progenitors. Another common trick of the joke mechanics is to take a story and foster it upon some individual who has secured a passing reputation for humor.

The higher critics say that Solomon did not compose the book of Proverbs. He established a local reputation and every obscure fellow in the kingdom who wanted to float his scanty stock of wisdom put the king's label on it. And the modern funny man takes an ancient joke and saddles it upon Lincoln, Read, Depew or Mark Twain.

Our genial philosopher, Mr. Dooley, says: "The last man that makes a joke owns it." Now, as the scripture says, "These things ought not to be." Why should these rosy and imperishable jokes be disowned, stripped of their kingly robes, and sneaked in through the back door of modern life? What crown jewels could equal in preciousness one of these original seven gems of mirth that were born when the world was young? Why should we not honor the old men who can recall the imperishable jests that filled the vanished with "unextinguishable laughter"? Let us add to the joyous trinity of old books, wine and friends the sweet companionship of old stories.

Ready to Help.

A. J. Drexel Biddle, the chief of the great chain of Drexel Biddle Bible classes, was condemning in Philadelphia a charity society that spent more of its income in ferreting out fake than in relieving genuine distress.

"There's not much help in such a charity as that," said Mr. Drexel Biddle. "It reminds me of the woman at whose door a tramp knocked on a bitter March day."

"The tramp was miserably clad, and under the beating of the terrible March winds the poor fellow was blue and shivering with cold."

"Lady," he gasped, "I've hardly got a rag to my back. Can you help me?" "Why, certainly! There's my rag bag behind the door," he lady answered calmly. "Help yourself."

G. B. S. Defines Socialism.

George Bernard Shaw says: "Socialism means equal division of the national income among all the inhabitants of the country. of the maintenance of that equal division as an invariable social postulate to the very root of the constitution. The problem socialism offers to politicians and economists is how to make this postulate workable."

Mr. Shaw believes that the process of redistributing income already begun by legislation, together with the pooling tendencies of capital, will lead to an examination of the overwhelming objections to income inequality.

That Was All.

Old Acquaintance—Why, good land, Loffin, is that you? I haven't seen you before in 14 years! What are you doing in our little town?

Promoter (on still hunt for factory location).—Oh, just taking in the sites.

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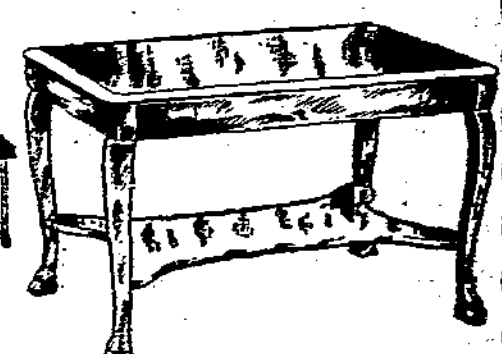
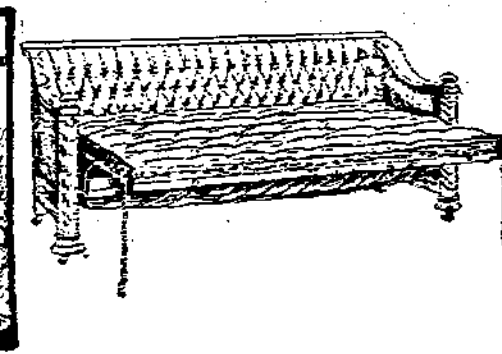
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AMONG THE THEATRES

GRAND—PITTSBURG.
Vaudeville at the Grand Opera House the second week of the season, beginning Monday afternoon, September 14, which happens also to be Old Home Week in Pittsburgh and strike the high spots of theatrical artistry and will combine with some fine examples of histrionism in an exposition of telepathic mystery. This latter will be supplied by Mercedes, a mind wizard, whose performances with Mlle. Stanore, the thought transference pianist, have received much enthusiastic endorsement. Bert La Mont and his Cowboy Minstrels promise one of the unique items in this fine varied bill. Minstrelsy as applied to them is not a thing of turnt cork and song, but a carnival of Western pastimes and sports. Ray Samuels late of "The Honeymoon Express," Ziegfeld's "Follies" and "The Winsome Widow" is coming to make her initial bow before a Grand Opera House audience with a group of ragtime songs. Comfort and King will play a one-act legal satire. This sketch is of negro characterization. Fresh from Europe comes Sylvia Loyal and her Pierrots, together with seventy trained pigeons. Great Howard, Scotland's original sub-vocalist, will play a ventriloquial skit. Irene and Bobby Smith promise a group of new songs. Besides some other interesting novelties, the bill next week will embrace a series of moving pictures selected especially for Grand Opera House exhibitions.

ALVIN—PITTSBURG.
As the first dramatic offering of the new season at the Alvin Theatre, Oliver Morosco will present "Help Wanted," his simultaneous success of last season in New York and Chicago. The company, which is headed by Henry Kolker, will begin a week's engagement at the Alvin Theatre on Monday evening, September 14th, with the customary popular matinee on Wednesday and the regular Saturday matinee. "Help Wanted" was written by Jack Laiz, a Chicago newspaper man and magazine writer. It is described as a comedy romance of the skyscrapers. In support of Mr. Kolker will be seen Miss Grace Valentine in the leading feminine role of Gertrude Meyer. The advance of a flirtatious businessman, coupled with other experiences in the skyscraper district of a big city from a thrilling combination of experiences for the girl and how she battles against them is told in bright lines and thrilling situations.

STAR—CHARLEROI.
Monday at the Star theatre was featured as benefit day for the Charleroi Tuberculosis Tent Fund and a neat sum was realized as the result of the efforts of those in charge. One of the most sensational pictures of the weekly program was "With Serb and Austrian" a picture depicting the present day European War. Another of the interesting dramas was "The Sparta" a special photoplay that dealt with circus life. On Thursday was shown "Exiled from Russia" in which a battle between the Russian nobility and the peasants of that nation was one of the prominent parts. The program of drama was well rounded out by a number of humorous pictures. On Saturday "Atlantis" a feature similar to the Titanic disaster will be portrayed.

PALACE—CHARLEROI.
One of the best weeks in theatre circles for some time was experienced during the past week. The beginning of the fall season marks a renewed interest in movies. At the Palace theatre the week was begun with one of the best human interest pictures of the present day. This was the great labor picture "From Dusk to Dawn," presenting Clarence Darrow. In the picture the problems of the present day were dealt with in a manner that was both instructive and interesting. The heroism of the workers and scenes from the Darrow trial were also features. The Palace theatre is at the present time undergoing renovations and is being remodeled preparatory to the opening of the vaudeville season in the near future.

COYLE—THEATRE.
At the Coyle theatre this week a number of interesting and instructive pictures were shown to the patrons. "The Stigma" was an exceptionally meritorious photoplay that portrayed the life of an eminent physician and his wife. The man who was over indulgent in his work seemingly neglected his wife who was of a butterfly nature. As a result of his devotedness to his profession his wife for love of romance encouraged the attentions of a matinee idol. After a series of interesting happenings the wife with her new friend was banished from the home. Later she was found in the frozen fields of Alaska almost famished and was forgiven. Other good pictures of the week

were "Faithful unto Death," "The Midnight Visitor," "Through the Flames," and "The Saving Flame."

LYRIC—CHARLEROI.
A daring picture of "rarity" was shown at the Lyric theatre Thursday in "Warfare to the Stars." The picture displayed two powerful aeroplanes in battle, each with its own pilot, the driver of one machine was 150 to have his country in the twinkling of the machine of the enemy. Another of the leading pictures of the week was "A Letter from Home," a dramatic picture that carried with it a touch of pathos. Manager Pennerman has secured for Monday an exceptionally good picture entitled "Klara Safa," a sensational romance of the desert of Sahara and around the capital of Arabia, and it displays the best in the way of poetic artistry and beauty.

**Imports Heavy
Reports Show
During 1913**

Europe, which in recent years has supplied about 70 per cent of the manufactured goods imported into the United States, showed in the fiscal year which ended June 30, 1914, a smaller gain in its contributions of general merchandise than any other grand division except Africa. According to official figures of the Department of Commerce, imports from Europe were 3 million dollars greater than in the previous year, compared with a gain of 5 million in imports from South America, 5 million in those from Oceania, 10 million in those from Asia, 65 million in those from North America, and a loss of 7 million in those from Africa. France, Italy, Germany, Switzerland, and Spain showed gains, while the United Kingdom, the Netherlands, and Russia were among the important European countries the imports from which decreased during the past year.

**Food Prices
in Pittsburgh
Aeroplaning**

An increase, expected to average about 10 per cent, in the price of all meals at Pittsburgh hotels and restaurants, will probably be the result of a meeting held at the Colonial-Annex Hotel by members of the Pittsburgh branch of the International Steward's Association. The meeting was attended by leading hotel and restaurant managers, proprietors and stewards. No set scale of prices was fixed, but each member was given to understand that he should use his own judgment in the matter. It was stated by a member that the increases in every instance would be in direct proportion with the raise recently made by wholesalers and other dealers from whom foodstuffs are purchased.

There was discussion as to whether it would be advisable to add to the revenue by making separate charges for bread and butter, and by so doing, eliminate the necessity of increasing prices for other dishes. Not a single member was in favor of the proposition.

The principal increases will concern meats and vegetables, it was said, while foods classed as luxuries will also be boosted. The higher prices are to become effective as soon as the members deem it advisable, but will be maintained only so long as the wholesalers cling to their present prices. When foodstuffs drop to normal prices again the restaurants and hotels will simultaneously follow suit, they say.

**PHYSICIAN BRINGS SUIT
AGAINST CENTERVILLE BORO**
With a wealth of scientific detail and the use of many medical terms, in his bill of particulars, Dr. Alfred C. Smith of Brownsville has brought suit at Washington against the borough of Centerville. Washington county to recover \$25,000 for injuries received in February, 1912, when his automobile plunged over an embankment within the corporate limits. He says his injuries permanently prevent him practicing his profession.

Accused of Mining Law Violation.
Peter Brown was given a hearing before Justice J. F. Carmichael at Washington this week where a charge of violating the bituminous mining law of Pennsylvania had been brought against him. He admitted that he had violated the laws. The information was made by Charles P. Byrne, of Charleroi, mine inspector of the Twenty-first district. Brown is accused of riding on a loaded coal car.

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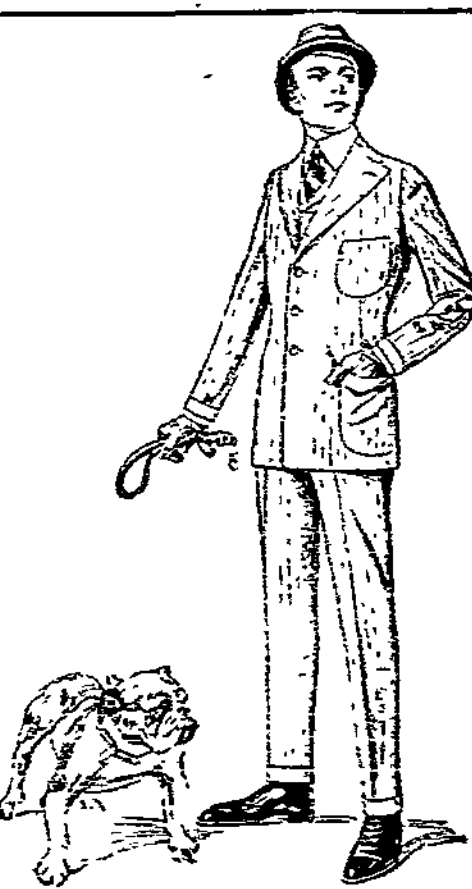
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INCIDENTS FOLLOW

Two Pittsburghers are to stand trial on a charge of murder as the result of alleged reckless automobile driving. The action of the grand jury which returned the indictments calls attention in imperative voice to an evil of long standing says the Pittsburgh Press. Showing as it does an evident intention to sternly check the mad performances by the auto drivers which have been menace to life and limb, not only occupants of the wildly rushing cars but of the innocent pedestrians, the decision of the grand jury cannot fail to be applauded by all decent and law-abiding citizens.

Hearty indorsement of retributory measures will be given by the army of auto owners. Organized automobilists have played a prominent part in the regulation of traffic laws to insure public safety, and have been active and tireless in the support of legislation for the "public good." In almost every instance dangerous violations of the speed ordinances and reckless driving through crowded thoroughfares has been the act, not of reputable automobile owners, but hired employees.

It is to be hoped that future grand juries, if the evidence warrants, will be found not slow in following the trial thus significantly blazed.

CHRISTMAS TOY TRADE.

The cutting off by the war of the customary supply of toys bought yearly in Germany promises to make the Christmas trees look skimpy this year. American makers will turn out very attractive substitutes, but considering the rates of wages in this country, many kinds of cheap toys cannot be purchased here at the prices our people expect to pay remarks the Erie Times.

They say that German families will sell little lambskins at 12 cents a dozen. These toys are largely made in the homes. A great many of the workers are farmers and their families, who are satisfied with very low wages if they can be kept busy through the winter. A family of five is said to average only \$3 to \$2.50 a week.

The popularity of the German toys is not wholly due to the low price. There is an element of romance and imagination in the German temperament. They add little pouches that charm both young and old. The leaders in the toy industry prefer to have them made in homes. They feel that thereby the workers have more originality. The toys do not look so machine made as those from the factories.

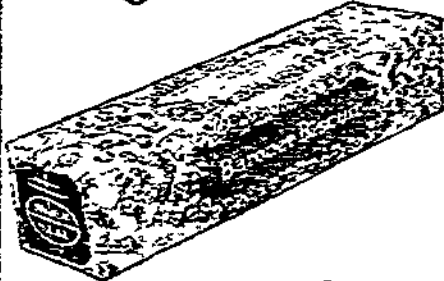
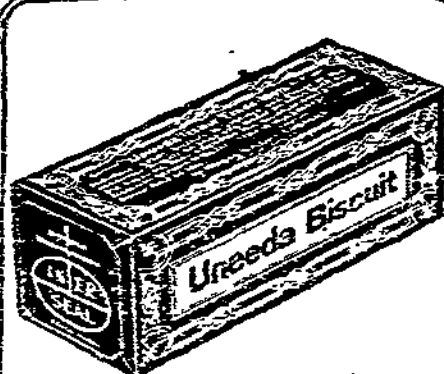
The big fault in the German toys has been their fragile quality. They seem built to make the children's eyes sparkle on Christmas, and then to dump in the ash barrel soon after. Or perhaps the German youngsters do not share the love for smashing things that is so characteristic of the American child. The latter is not satisfied merely with looking at a plaything. He wants to operate all the various parts, but alas, the toy was built for the eyes rather than the hand.

The skill of these German workmen is something marvelous. The little gnomes that tourists bring home are wonderfully life-like representations of human traits. They sell for 50 cents each thereabouts, but it would not seem possible to carve one of them in less than a day.

PICKED UP IN PASSING

"One meets some strange people and has some strange experiences in the war zone," remarked J. J. Beers, the local merchant who has just returned from Belgium.

"I met one woman with a dog that



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was the limit. She had been fussing around considerably, complaining about the war and about the incidental annoyances it produced. She had a dog and that dog was the source of much worry. The poor woman couldn't go anywhere or do anything, it seemed without first asking the dog's permission.

"She came tripping up to me, fussing as usual, and inquired if I had learned anything about the possibility of passage to America. Informed as to what meagre news I had, she then wondered about her dog. She wanted to know if they would take her dog. I told her I didn't think so."

"That woman was angry. She couldn't see why they would refuse her dog. She ended up by emphatically stating that if they couldn't permit her dog to go, then she, too, would not go but stay in the war-ridden country. She was tragic."

"But that wasn't the worst. She was a close student evidently, but sadly mixed. She was of the firm belief that the war had been brought on to prevent the American people from holding the Panama-Pacific exposition at San Francisco."

"Excuse me, sir," said the seedy one in the hotel lobby, "but thought a stranger to me, your face seems familiar. Have you any relatives here?" "Not one," was the reply. "Years ago I floated down the river on a raft, leaving all my relatives behind. The raft was wrecked in a storm, and I had to swim ashore, with a forty-pound catfish in tow. I traded the fish for a week's board, put an 'ad' in the 'Lost' column, recovered my wrecked raft and started a lumberyard."

ELECTRIC SPARKS

Already some are beginning to speak of summer as last summer.

About the only way the common people can ever get square with them is to tax all producers and divide the spoils.

Great Britain wishes people to know it is mad. It's time limit for seeing a joke will extend from one day to one month.

It is said the German commander started to tell his men to rest at

Liege and never finished his sentence until his army got to Paris, and that's what the trouble was.

Turkey announces publicly that its treaties are abrogated on taxation of foreigners. The significance is that Turkey wishes to pose as a world power while it has a chance.

This scheme of permitting American Red Cross nurses to go abroad to do service might not be wise. With this conflict over they might start another as a means of getting them back.

Brainy Beans.

Your Boston man has a good head. We realize just what that means. In fact, we've often heard it said: That Boston people have good beans. —Pittsburg Post.

Those Europeans are breaking no precedents of peace.

"Japanese troops delayed by flood"—headline. That's the same thing that delayed German troops in entering Paris.

That Spring Feeling.

As the first warmth of spring brought a feeling of lassitude, the farmer's wife in older days would go searching through the woods for "yarrow" from which to make a brew as a tonic for the whole family. The city man, feeling the laziness of "spring fever" coming over him, brought from the corner drug store a 40-cent package of "Old Doc" Somebody's spring tonic. But things are changing. Men have learned that the best spring tonics are the gifts of a beneficent nature. A full breath of fresh air, a brisk walk along a grass grown road, a plunge into the cool waters of the old swimming pool, the water is pure and cold—or the morning shower if in the city, fresh green food, or the pursuit of a bounding golf ball over a spring course—those are the real invigorators, true tonics.—Rochester Sentinel.

No Danger of Competition.

In L'Esprit des Francais is an instance of the sharp, biting wit for which Alexis Piron the French epigrammatist was famous.

A young author whose ability was by no means equal to his conceit was discoursing at length upon the merits of his work.

"I am tired of writing of that which others write of," he said. "I want to create an original work, something that no one has ever written about or ever will write about."

Piron turned quickly to the speaker "Why not write your own eulogy?" he said.—Youth's Companion.

Puts Airships in Prayers.

Under the orders of Emperor William, as the head of the Lutheran church, and with the consent of the Lutheran synod, the general prayer, which is said weekly in all Lutheran churches, now asks the protection of God for the aerial service as well as for the army and navy. The sentence, as amended, reads:

"Protect the king's army and the entire German war forces on land and sea, and particularly the ships and airships while on their journeys."

As You Like It.

Jimmy, who was no highbrow, had gone all alone to see one of those outdoor performances of Shakespeare. He was telling his elders about it.

"Some class to Shakespeare," said Jimmy. "The show was 'as.'"

"But what show was it?" asked Jimmy's big sister.

"Let everybody do to suit himself," replied Jimmy.

FAMOUS OLD ENGLISH TAVERN.

Jack Straw's Castle on Hampstead Heath Has Many Attractions for the Visitor.


Jack Straw's castle on Hampstead Heath, which is mourning the death of its landlord, is one of those rather numerous inns whose claims to honor rest more on legend than on solid fact. It is true that every Dickensian goes there at least once in his life and there is solid warrant for the pilgrimage on the authority of John Forster.

In 1837 Dickens wrote to him proposing a winter tramp over the heath, with the added attraction of "I know a good 'ous there where we can have a red hot chop for dinner and a glass of good wine." Forster adds that this was the first of many happy meetings at Jack Straw's castle. But the story that Dickens often stayed there has not the same authority.

The other Jack Straw legend is that the peasant leader built a fort there, of which it can only be said that the house is apparently built on an ancient earthwork, whoever was its architect. The first reference to the castle is in a mention of a horse race on the heath in 1748, but it has a corner in "Clarissa Harlowe."—Manchester Guardian.

Comparison With Cave Man.

Everything considered, it is possible that the cave-man had an advantage over us. For though his words were few in number he had few ideas to voice, few thoughts to express, few activities to advance, and these were all of such a nature that his grunt was encyclopaedic in its ability to explain. On the other hand, life is now so complex that with all our words, intonations, accents, mimicry, postures and gestures we are often unable to make our meaning perfectly clear.



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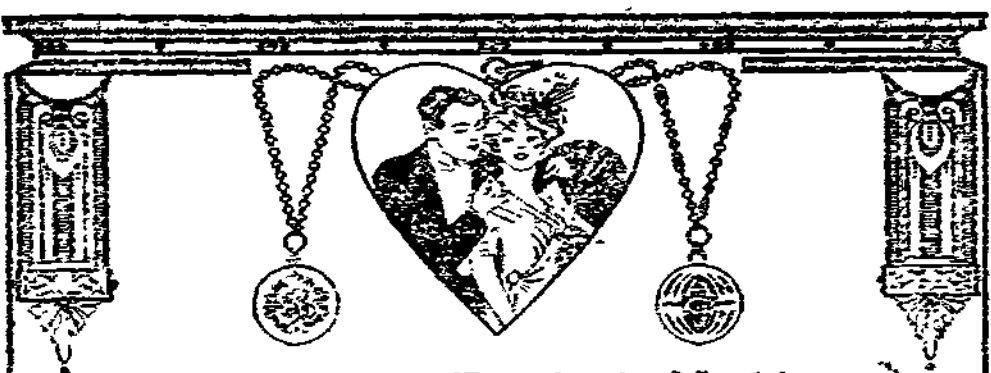
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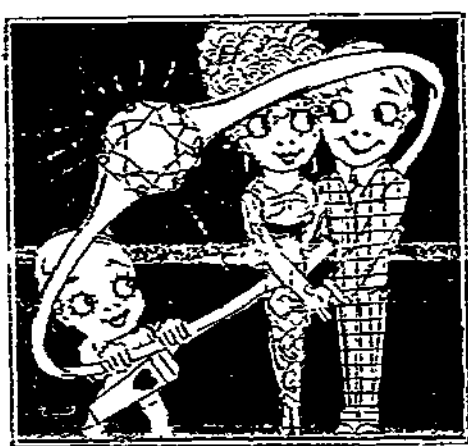
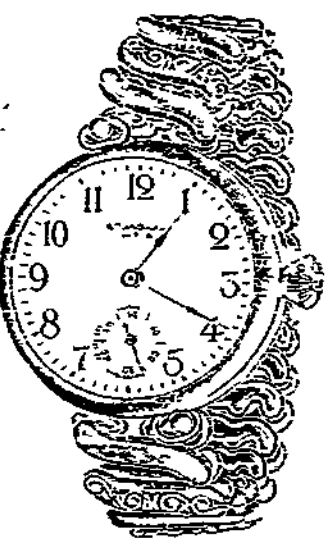


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Mrs. Robert Coulter, 320 Third St., Charleroi, Pa., says: "One of the family had the measles when he was five years old, which left him with weak kidneys. The trouble was most distressing at night and there seemed to be an inability to control the kidney secretions. I had often mended and I was induced to get a supply at Piper's Pharmacy. The one

who used this remedy was soon benefited and we have hopes of a permanent cure."

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On January 30, 1914, Mrs. Coulter said: "I willingly confirm the statement I gave praising Doan's Kidney Pills some years ago. Doan's Kidney Pills made a complete cure for one of our family."

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JOKE CLEARLY ON LANDLORD

Tenant's Somewhat Mean Way of Getting His Contract for New York Flat Broken.

One owner of a big apartment house in New York learned a new trick to his sorrow. He did not mind the money loss as much as the near was getting for him by the artful tenant. It seems a man who had secured a place in a house at the city in a summer and wanted to break it, but knew that the landlord would not let him do so. He had a plan. He had a contract for a new flat in New York. He had a plan. He had a contract for a new flat in New York.

One Sunday morning about the first of the month, the tenant was in the room. He had a plan. He had a contract for a new flat in New York. He had a plan. He had a contract for a new flat in New York.

What in the name of the sacred codfish do you mean by kicking up this racket on Sunday morning and rousing every one from sleep? he demanded of the tenant of the offending flat.

"Well," replied the flat man with a smug smile, "I guess it is my day and the law says I can do as I wish in my own house."

"This is not your house," roared the landlord, "and I wish you to clear out."

"Certainly," replied the flat man, "I will move tomorrow. You are breaking the contract yourself. Many thanks—I have just bought a home in the suburbs."

REALLY USED COTTON BALES

Popular Idea Concerning Battle of New Orleans Has Been Found to Be Correct.

Interest in the slumbering cotton bales theory of the battle of New Orleans was aroused by the finding of a water-color picture map of the original battle plan in an abandoned trunk in the cellar of the St. Charles hotel. Little is known about the drawing or the other contents of the trunk which has remained unnoticed for years in a dark corner.

Five veterans of the battle have added their signatures to the remarkable map to attest the fact that it is a true representation of the battle plan as made under the direction of Andrew Jackson by his military engineer, H. Lacotte. It shows a line of cotton bales which a marginal note says was 1000 feet long with a prolongment extending 600 feet into the woods. Some historians deny the story about the use of cotton bales.

The five veterans who say they fought behind cotton bales were Joseph St. Cyr, Jean Lamothe, P. M. Lapice, Charles Raymond and Jean Gervais. Pen pictures of these men appear in the footnotes.

The finding of the picture is timely, says the New Orleans Item, as it will be of service for the staging of the battle, which is to be one of the leading features of the Exposition of Big Ideas.

Styles and Men.

This is—well, let's say amusing—this dictate of fashion that men must wear in 1914 clothing garments—isn't it? Because some of us must either adopt pads or endure the mockery of the masses while parading in the guise of human scarecrows or Punch and Judy shows—if clinging duds do master masculinity. And some of us will lose one large subject of conversation and laughter, for we won't any longer be able to criticize the garments of our sisters, wives and acquaintances. If any one consideration can do more than another to prevent the general adoption of tight styles for men, this loss of critical opportunity is likely to be the thing. Isn't it? It never will do to give ladies an opportunity to turn the batteries of laughter on the masculine half of humanity will it? Of course a compromise may be arranged—but compromises seldom wear well, do they?—Detroit Free Press.

Tex on Windows.

If the text on floors and windows disappears in France with the new fiscal reform, the archaeologists, say, the text papers, will not regret it, for it is more than an artistic misdeed. When it was created more than a century ago the taxpayers, especially in the provinces, sought to diminish the "word tax." Little rural windows were made out of the "grandes bours coisies," and there was much talk of a detriment to art and health there. Today in relettering the walls of ancient edifices there are often discovered magnificent windows often of the Renaissance covered in whole or in part. The masons have been broken and the damage is irreparable. This was one incident in the window tax that the legislators of the revolution period certainly did not foresee.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Promoters.

Thomas W. Lawson, at a dinner in Boston, said of promoters: "Virtue is its own reward, but generosity is the thing to yield big profits. Why, hundreds of men become multi-millionaires just by generously looking up good things for other people to invest in, while keeping religiously out of them themselves."

BENTLEYVILLE

Finally evening the two literary societies of the Bentleyville high school, the Premier and the Cadmean, held the first business meeting of the year. Officers will be elected to both societies in a few weeks. Miss Bessie Tudor and Miss Olive McMillan are secretaries of the Cadmean and the Premier, respectively. They will have charge of making out the first program, inasmuch as the different heads and committee have not been elected. The societies will hold a literary contest this year after both have had sufficient experience to insure their best efforts.

The Suffrage Movement.

Bentleyville has at last awakened to the suffrage movement and is taking strides toward establishing a strong Equal Franchise Committee in Bentleyville. Miss Howard, an organizer of the suffrage committees of Pennsylvania, and Mrs. Edwin Linton, of Washington, will deliver addresses on the suffrage question in Bentleyville next week. Rumors from the outside leave the impression that both ladies are excellent speakers and well worth hearing. Both will be entertained at the home of Mrs. Hiram Hetherington, president of the suffrage committee in Bentleyville. The business men of Bentleyville, however, will not board up their windows, for the spirit of Emaline Pankhurst has not yet penetrated the remote site of Bentleyville.

Personals.

Born—To Dr. and Mrs. W. R. Robinson, a son.

Edward R. Hartman was a caller in Washington Friday evening. He made the trip overland by automobile.

S. A. House, a local mechanic, has accepted a position with Thomas G. White, a contractor.

Hobart Watson, of near Vancemill, was a social caller in town Friday evening.

Charles Shank of Ellsworth, will presently leave for State College where he will attend the coming term.

Thomas G. White, a local contractor, is constructing a two-room addition to the Deems property on the Bentleyville-Beallsville pike.

Raymond Bigler and Russell Snyder will leave next week for Louisville to attend the junior year in Bucknell college.

A socialist candidate delivered an excellent address to his fellow socialists from a box on Washington street last evening.

Bentleyville has gradually returned to its carefree condition after having given the members of the 85th and other regiments the time of their lives.

John Booth will enter the freshman class of Washington and Jefferson college soon. John, as did his father, will take up the study of medicine. He is a graduate of Bentleyville high school.

I. N. South, a salesman of this place has purchased a new Metz automobile. Sorry to say, he jammed the clutch too hard and the car at present is undergoing repairs at the Galloway garage.

Mr. and Mrs. George Watson, of South Main street and Piersol avenue are attending the Grange picnic near Vancemill today. They will visit with friends in the same community and return home Sunday evening.

Don P. Hawkins, of Beallsville, has accepted the position as local editor of the Bentleyville Times. Mr. Hawkins is a brilliant newspaper man in Beallsville, handling the correspondence of that place and several other surrounding places.

Bentleyville Baptist church.

Bible school at 2:30 p. m. Preaching at 7:30 p. m. Subject, "Playing the Man." Prayer meeting Wednesday at 8:00 p. m. The public in general is cordially invited to attend all services of the church. A. Stewart Wahl, pastor.

Standing of the Clubs.

	W.	L.	Pct.
Fayette City	23	7	.767
Charleroi	22	8	.733
Monessen	15	12	.556
Roscoe	10	19	.345
Dunlevy	3	18	.308
Belle Vernon	7	19	.269

HARD TO RUN DOWN

HUNTERS FOLLOW MOUNTAIN SHEEP THREE DAYS.

Finally Corner Two, Believed to Be the Only Specimens Alive in Captivity—Their Jumping Powers Marvelous.

Columbia gard-lis, Butte's pleasure park, has added to its zoological department two mountain sheep, believed to be the only specimens in captivity. The mountain sheep are the most, fiercest and wildest animals that inhabit the rugged ranges and few of this species have been captured alive.

An interesting story is told of the capture for it was not done in a day. For three days and three nights with sleep and with rests that were out of the ordinary, N. H. Pearl and W. J. Cavanaugh hunted their quarry. This was the end of a three weeks' chase. At last they caught these wildest of wild things. They are rams, little more than two weeks old, yet able to out-run the average horse.

The men carried the kicking, squirming, fighting lambs 20 miles over ridge and through valley to Midvale, the western entrance to the Glacier national park. Mr. Pearl says:

"The sheep were caught in the con-natural divide near Cutbank pass, at an elevation of between 5,000 and 5,500 feet. They were about a week old. We had been at it three weeks before we had our chance. These mountain sheep are much wiser than mountain goats."

"They know every rock in the hills and the slightest disturbance sends them bounding off. Many times have we looked at a band of sheep at long distance through field glasses. We could lie perfectly still behind rocks, but never was it more than a few minutes until some ewe would spy us and give warning."

"The little sheep can outrun a horse—most at birth, and these two led us a long and hard chase. They jumped over places so high we thought they had surely been killed upon ledges where man could not have stood."

"We never really caught up with them. Finally, seeming to realize that we would not be shaken off, they lost their cunning and we caught them in a trap in a cleft in the rocks. They couldn't get out of this place and we had them."

"You have no idea from what heights a mountain goat can leap," said Ranger Cavanaugh. "I've seen them jump from the dizzyest places and alight with all four feet bunched as light as a cat. Never have I seen one injured. These Big Horn sheep are the greatest leapers in the world."

Activities of Women.

Women outnumber the men by 1,919 in New York city, according to the last census.

The French parliament has rejected the bill granting the franchise to women.

The success of the Wellesley rowing crew is due to the fact that they didn't eat fudge or dance.

Among the Malays the choice of picking the wife does not belong to the youth but to his parents.

In England there are 300,000 women who are earning less than 12 shillings a week.

The giant electric plant at Chattanooga, Tenn., was set in motion by the Misses Annie and Jane Brady, granddaughters of the late Anthony Brady who was at the head of the company when it was organized.

Dr. Alouzo E. Taylor, professor of physiological chemistry at the University of Pennsylvania, says that today the use of alcoholic beverages by women is so common as to provoke comment, and is to be seen everywhere in public places.

Miss Anna Sands operates and manages a dog farm on Long Island, where canine pets are boarded and cared for at a stipulated charge per month. In addition Miss Sands has now established a school for birds in which they are trained for the stage.

Gold in the Philippines.

Pik place—gold is reported to have been discovered on the site of the old church in the Barrio of Malaguit in Paracale, Philippines. The vein is supposed to be directly beneath the building and in the surrounding grounds. Recently prospectors from a dredging company entered the old town and located rich gold fields on the old church property in the center of the town. Gold in paying quantities was found in the rear of the church lot. Under the provisions of the mining laws the property comes under the claims of the dredging company in offer has been made by the company to purchase all the buildings, remove the church and all residences to a convenient site, build a new city and give the old town a new lease of life. Just what the outcome of the offer will be cannot be even guessed at, as there is a wild flurry in that locality especially among those who have lived for years on the ground and have never for a minute dreamed of gold in abundance beneath their residence.

Always Work for Him.

"And what do you do in the dull season?" we asked the Fool Killer.

"That dull season?" exclaimed the Fool killer.

"When the Man Who Rocks the Boat and the Man Who Didn't Know It Was Loaded quit operations. What do you do then?"

"Oh, I get on the trail of the Man Who Knows It All," replied the Fool Killer.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

WHAT THEY SAY

Remarks

The Charleroi Mail is a business enterprise by issuing special Berries editions which are reaching high marks of journalism.

—Friday Evening Ca

Great Sheet.

The Charleroi Mail will publish a eight page edition every day. It is well filled with advertisements and is put out in the interest of the new Charleroi territory.

—California Sentinel

Charleroi Mail Enlarged.

The Charleroi Mail has been enlarged to an eight page daily instead of a four page. The recent issues are full of advertisements of the Charleroi merchants, evidently to attract trade from the newly opened district in and about Bentleyville through the completion of the electric line to that town. The paper shows much improvement.—Cincinnati City Journal.

CASE TAKEN

UP IN COURT

AT WASHINGTON

Charging that the administrator Wm. M. Johnston, in the estate of Bennett Crouch, made false representations in his account, E. B. Grable has filed a petition at Washington asking that confirmation of his account be opened, reviewed and set aside, and the same be corrected, by surcharging him with the sums alleged not to have been accounted for by him. A citation has been issued returnable to the first Monday of October next.

William M. Johnston was administrator of the estate of Bennett M. Crouch, who was executor of the estate of Zidana J. Crouch. It is alleged that said accountant, William M. Johnston, failed to account for the sum of \$2,800.

Zidana H. Crouch by her will gave her husband Bennett M. Crouch a life interest in her estate, after the payment of a legacy of \$100 to Charles Grable. Upon her husband's death the estate was to be equally divided among certain nieces and nephews.

An inventory and appraisal of her estate totaled \$5,874.06, which included 20 shares of the capital stock of the Washington Electric Light and Power company, appraised at \$1,700. In his first account the executor charged himself with \$5,874.06, being the amount of the inventory and appraisal and claimed credit for \$1,742, which left a balance of \$4,132.06.

Bennett M. Crouch, executor, as aforesaid, died August 28, 1913, and William M. Johnston became administrator. In his account he charged himself with \$4,132.06, being the amount shown due from the first account of Bennett M. Crouch, together with \$300, being the value of three bonds of the Charleroi school district.

Now it is claimed the accountant, William M. Johnston, charged himself with only \$1,700 of the \$4,000 received from the sale of shares in the Washington Electric Light and Power Co., falsely representing, it is averred, that \$1,700 was the full amount received from the sale of said shares. The petitioner avers he did not learn this fact until in April of this year. He therefore seeks to have the account opened and the accountant charged with the additional \$2,300 received as it is averred, from the sale of the light company shares.

Christmas Feeling.

"Oh, Mr. Fippenley," she exclaimed, "I have you ever felt a dim, uneasy sense of oppression as if the mere weight of life were a burden too heavy to be borne by the chained spirit panting with psychic longing to be free?"

"I invariably have such a feeling at Christmas time," was the callous response, "but hitherto I have attributed it to pudding."

CASH LOANS

To housekeepers and working men upon application. Do not allow the question of security to worry you. Use your credit; we trust you. Absolute privacy assured.

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Your Ice Cream will be alright if it comes from

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We have one of the largest Ice Cream parlors in town.

We are prepared to furnish any flavor or quantity of Ice Cream desired.

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I want to send you a complete ten day's treatment absolutely free to prove to you that you can cure yourself at home, easily, quickly and surely. Remember, that, if it will cost you nothing to give the treatment a complete trial, and if you wish to continue, it will cost you only about fifteen cents a week or less than two cents a day. It will not interfere with your work or occupation. Just send me your name and address, tell me how you suffer if you wish, and I will send you the treatment for your cure, entirely free in plain wrapper, by return mail. I will also send you free of cost, my book—"WOMAN'S OWN MEDICAL ADVISER" with explanatory illustrations showing why women suffer, and how they can easily cure themselves at home. Every woman should have it, and learn to think for herself. Then when the doctor says, "You must have an operation," you can decide for yourself. Thousands of women have cured themselves with my home remedy. It cures all old or young. To Mothers of Daughters, I will explain a simple home treatment which speedily and effectually cures Leucorrhoea, Green Discharge and Painful or Irregular Menstruation in young Ladies, Pimples and health always results from its use. Wherever you live, I can refer you to ladies of your own locality who know and will gladly tell any sufferer that the home treatment really cures all women's diseases, and that women will, strong, plump and robust, and as your address, and the free ten-day's treatment is yours, also the book. Write today, as you may not see this offer again. Address: MRS. M. SUMMERS, Box H - Notre Dame, Ind., U. S. A.

RIVA STORE DEVELOPED THROUGH ENTERPRISE OF OWNER AND HEAD

Local Man, First Employed as Carpenter in Charleroi, Now Numbered Among Business Leaders of the Community

AMBITION AND ENERGY ENTER INTO PROGRESS

Charleroi has many foreign residents numbered among its best citizens, and there are none that have gained the confidence of the people or that holds a better position for honesty and integrity than Frank Riva, the steamship ticket agent, foreign banker and proprietor of the large department store on Fallowfield avenue.

Mr. Riva was born in Delebio, Italy, in 1871, and emigrated to London, England, in 1889, where he followed the occupation of a cabinet maker and piano worker.

He heard while thus engaged stor-



Frank Riva

ies of the advantages for a young man in the new world, and resolved to come to America in search of his fortune. He realized that a young man must have an education, and his evenings were spent in hard study in a commercial college, so when he came to this country in 1894 he was thoroughly equipped for battles in the business world.

He had become an experienced me-

chanical pianoforte builder by this time, and was given a position with a Philadelphia manufacturer, which he held until in 1896. He did not neglect his studies while connected with the piano manufactory, but continued to study the American people and the business methods of the United States.

While living in Philadelphia he was married to Miss Josephine Brusa, of Charleroi, and about a year and a half after being married came here and entered the steamship ticket business. The business was not then so large as it is now, however, and Mr. Riva worked as a carpenter with the Charleroi Lumber company while building up his business.

He came to the town with the determination to succeed and worked with that point in view. At the present time he is owner and proprietor of a large department store, on Fallowfield avenue. He enjoys trade from all classes of people and numbers among his customers many of the most exclusive buyers. He conducts a foreign bank, which has been under the state banking department since the private banking law went into effect in 1911.

His steamship ticket department business is increasing with each year. He does a majority of this business for the entire upper Monongahela valley.

Mr. Riva has always taken an active interest in anything that has had as its object the betterment of Charleroi. He has been an active member of the Business Men's association almost since its beginning. He served one term as borough councilman.

Mr. Riva owns considerable valuable real estate in Charleroi, and has made additions to his building on Fallowfield avenue from time to time, in order to better care for his growing business. He is a good business man and his is a good business.

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No Bread Famine in United States

There will be no bread famine in the United States this year. The largest wheat crop in history has just been harvested and according to the United States Department of Agriculture the production is approximately 911,000,000 bushels; nearly 150,000,000 bushels more than previous crop produced in the United States. We have at least 250,000,000 bushels of wheat which are not needed for consumption at home or for seed. The surplus production of the United States usually goes to Europe, but under present conditions, caused by the European war, this cereal cannot cross the ocean. About 75,000,000 bushels have already been taken for export, but most of it is being held at the ports of departure. Conditions across the water are not so encouraging. War in Europe tends to prevent the shipment of wheat from surplus European countries to those which need imports—for example—from Russia to France, and a famine seems inevitable.

SHOE PRICES TOO ARE HITTING THE TOP NOTCH

People who have been growling at the increased prices in footwear during the last decade, are likely to have further opportunity to ovel their luck. The cost of shoes to the manufacturer, to the wholesaler, and to the retailer must be increased and the scarcity of leather will ultimately make itself felt to the consumer according to a statement issued from New York by a committee representing the delegates to a conference of members of the National Boot and Shoe Manufacturers' Association, the National Shoe Wholesalers' Association and the National Shoe Retailers' Association. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the effect of the European war on the shoe and leather trade in the United States.

Pennsylvania Leading State For Minerals

The reports of the mineral production made to Richard R. Hice, State Geologist of Pennsylvania, shows the production of 1913 was by far the greatest of record, exceeding the previous highest record by over \$55,000,000.

Since the first records of the mineral production of the United States were made Pennsylvania has stood at the top of the list, and occupies an unique position in that respect, inasmuch as it so greatly surpasses any

other state. This production is almost equal in value to the combined output of Illinois, West Virginia, Ohio and California, the four next producing states as regards the value of their mineral wealth.

While Pennsylvania holds this unique position as a mineral producer on account of the enormous value of its coal output, which in 1913, was \$88,220,933, yet it must not be overlooked that if the entire coal output of the United States is disregarded that Pennsylvania is still the ranking state, exceeding California, which would be the second state

No Coke Business.

No fresh transactions in contract furnace coke have been reported in the past week and practically no business of this sort is in sight, according to a statement from Pittsburgh district coke producers.

Paying The Shoe Bill!



The average Family Man buys Shoes for about Five People—and with Shoe prices as they are and the way some Shoes wear out, he certainly finds the Shoe Question of no small consideration!

Then, there's no prospect of things getting any better so long as he buys the average run of Shoes!

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Men's Shoes\$2. to \$5.00.
Women's Shoes\$1.50 to \$5.00.
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Please remember that the difference lies in the Shoes and not in the quoted prices. Quality saves the money! Prices indicate nothing in the way of values.

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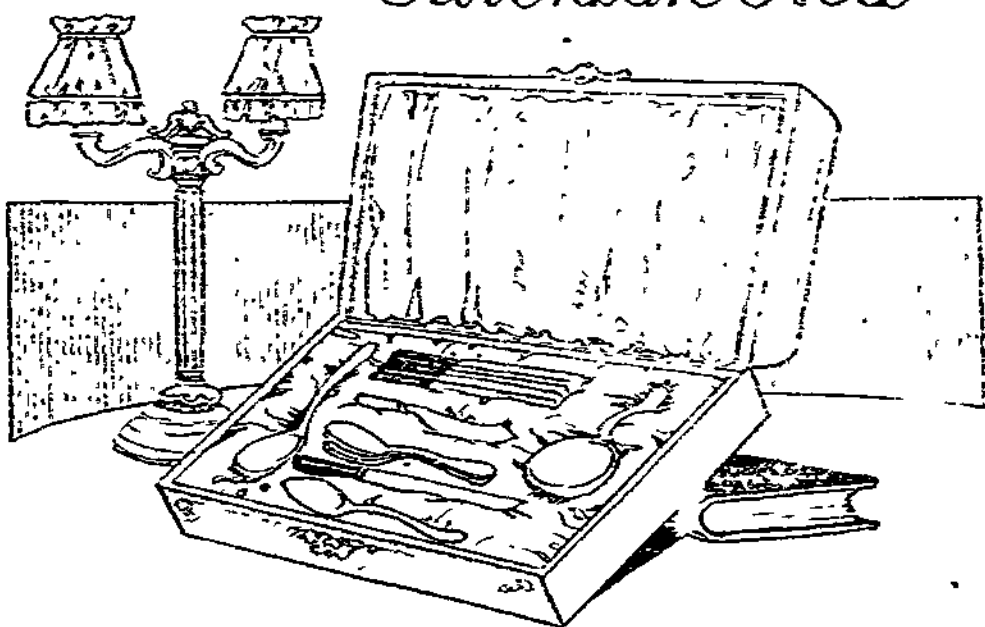
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Omar's Crumb of Advice.

Some for the pleasures of this meal,
and some
Sigh for the fancy's festival to come.
Ah, take the bread and let the
balance go,
Nor heed the luring of the distant
hum!

Some folks insist on slaving
all their lives in the kitchen.
Oh, they intend taking it easy
some day!

Stop now. Make our bakery
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We will do your baking and
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and well. Special orders
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UP-TO-DATE CLOTHING HOUSE IS POSSESSING INTERESTING HISTORY

Teitelbaum Establishment on McKean Avenue
Now Owned by Jack Teitelbaum—Came
Here With Father Several Years Ago
SUCCESS RESULT OF MANY YEARS EXPERIENCE

Charleroi, the "Magic City" has with the exception of the few years more up-to-date merchants than any he spent in school, has devoted his town of twice its size in the Monongahela valley and Jack Teitelbaum is among the leaders.

March 21, 1904, a new men's furnishing store opened up on McKean avenue, with an entirely new stock of goods. H. Teitelbaum was proprietor and his son Jack was manager. The business grew with the town until now the store enjoys a particularly pleasing patronage. A few days ago Jack purchased the entire stock from his father and is now proprietor and owner of the store.

Mr. Teitelbaum has had considerable experience in this business. In his case, as in the case of many another successful merchant it might be said he was raised in a store, and

with the exception of the few years he spent in school, has devoted his entire time to the business. He managed his father's store in Derry, for a number of years, until his father retired temporarily from business.

Mr. Teitelbaum then went to Brooklyn where he spent two years as manager of the furnishing department of the E. W. Bennett and company. He held this position until 1904 when his father established his Charleroi men's furnishing house.

Mr. Teitelbaum sees the possibilities of Charleroi and is loud in his praise of the town and its people. The store enjoys a large patronage, and the successful business men of the town are glad to have him numbered as one of them.

West Alex Folk Angry About Fair

The West Alexander Fair Association which will hold its annual exhibit next Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday is of the opinion that it got the short end of a deal in the distribution of money appropriated by the state and county to agriculture associations according to statements made by one of the officials of the association.

The state appropriates \$2,000 to be distributed by the county commissioners to the two largest agricultural associations of the county. In addition to this the county gives \$100. The county commissioners did not care to take the responsibility of making the distribution and so representatives of the Washington Burgettstown and West Alexander associations were called into conference and a verbal agreement made as to how the money was to be distributed.

According to the officers of the West Alexander association the agreement was made that a check for \$1000 each was to be made to

the Washington and Burgettstown association and then the Washington association was to pay the West Alexander association \$100 and the Burgettstown association was to pay \$300 and the county commissioners would pay the \$100 to the West Alexander organization. This would make the distribution as follows: Washington, \$900; Burgettstown, \$700 and West Alexander \$500. The officer of the West Alexander fair states that this agreement was made verbally and that Burgettstown promptly paid over the \$300 and since the Washington association has refused to comply with the agreement, stating that the county commissioners had stated that it was not necessary to pay the money if the association did not wish to do so. As the result of this decision the West Alexander association is shy \$100.

Last year three rainy days greeted the fairgoers and as a result the board went into the hole about \$1,200 and the members are of the opinion that the \$100 spot due them would be welcome.

Somerset Folk Are Ready for Election

Victory is the only word the Republicans in Somerset county can spell. Suggestions of fusion have been kicked out of the window and the undertaker is dusting his crepe for the Washington party funeral.

Every member of the Republican County committee is working with tremendous enthusiasm for the election of Dr. Martin G. Brumbaugh for governor. Without exception they report that the nomination of Dr. Brumbaugh has caused a stampede of the Roosevelt followers to get back with the big party.

Of almost equal influence with the nomination of Brumbaugh have been the actions of Col. Roosevelt himself. There was a little life in the Washington movement about primary time when there was hope that the Colonel was going to gallop into Pennsylvania and make a whirlwind campaign for the candidates that his trustees slated for the party nominations. But as Roosevelt has fallen down on every thing he promised his followers have dwindled away until now they would hardly make a quorum at a lodge meeting.

Many Farmers Use Fertilizer Reports State

There are 129,769 farms in Pennsylvania that use fertilizer, and the annual purchases amount to \$6,801,605, according to a recent report of the United States Census Bureau. Ten years ago the annual expenditure for fertilizer in this state was \$4,687,920. Fertilizer purchases in Pennsylvania have increased \$2,115, 685 or 45 per cent during the past decade. Fifty-nine percent of the farms of this state use fertilizer, and the average for the United States is 29 per cent.

In the entire nation there are 1,821,000 farms that use fertilizer and the present annual expenditure is \$115,000,000. Ten years ago it was \$53,000,000 for the entire nation.

Wheat is to sell at \$2 perhaps; flour is to sell at \$10 perhaps, and we are going to starve, perhaps.

Pythians of Charleroi to Hold Meeting

The colored lodge of Knights of Pythias of Charleroi is arranging to have a jubilee on Sunday afternoon and a bazaar on Monday evening. The afternoon services will be held in the Bijou theatre on second street. Belle Vernon, with Robert J. Hawkins as master of ceremonies. There will be two services, one at 3 and the other at 7:45 p. m. J. C. Talton, D. D. will be the speaker at the afternoon meeting and his subject will be "The Order and its Progress." The evening services will be conducted by Rev. D. W. H. Frazier, pastor of the Speers A. M. E. church. These two services will be enlivened by music by the famous Robert Jenkins quartet.

On Monday evening there will be a bazaar and program rendered at the Speers street A. M. E. church, with program at 8:30.

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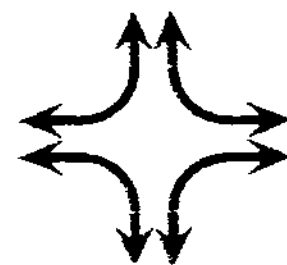
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colors blue, black, wisteria, green, pink and yellow\$1.00

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come in all shades at\$1.00 yd

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Real Shoe Men.
419, McKean Ave.

SUNDAY SERVICES AT THE CHURCHES

First Presbyterian.
Rev. W. C. White of New Athens, Ohio, will preach morning and evening at the First Presbyterian church. Sabbath school at 9:45 o'clock. Christian Endeavor at 6:45.

Lutheran
Sunday school at 9:45. Preaching services at 11:00. Subject of sermon, "Beholding The Father." Vesper services with sermon at 7:30. Subject, "A Spiritual Resurrection." The public is most cordially invited to all services. C. P. Bastian, pastor.

Episcopal
Sunday school at 10 a. m. Morning prayer and sermon at 11 a. m. Evening prayer and address at 7:30 p. m. Rev. John Lyons will conduct both the morning and the evening services. Everybody is cordially invited to attend.

Baptist
Bible school at 9:45 a. m. "Ten Virgins." Matt. 25. Worship and sermon at 11 a. m. Topic, "Where do you Live." Junior B. P. Y. U. at 2:30 p. m. Senior B. P. Y. U. at 6:30. Leader Miss Luce. Evening worship at 7:30. Topic, "Importance of Our Words." Rev. W. G. Carl pastor.

Christian
Bible school at 9:45. Lord's supper and preaching at 11 a. m. Subject, "Watching and Praying." Y. P. C. E. at 6:30. Evening worship at 7:30. Subject, "Purity of Life." Wednesday prayer meeting at 7:30 o'clock. This is the people's church. You are welcome. Come. Rev. E. N. Duty, pastor.

Washington Avenue Presbyterian
Sabbath school at 9:45. Preaching at 11. Sermon, "Honored by the King." Jr. C. E. at 2:30. Sr. C. E. at 6:30. Topic, "What is a Good Education?" Leader Miss Jeffries. Preaching at 7:30. Sermon, "Healing for the Nations." Strangers and those without a church home are cordially invited to worship with us. Rev. John R. Burson, pastor.

Methodist Episcopal
Church and Sunday school at 10:15. Subject of sermon, "It Tendeth to Poverty." Epworth league devotional meeting at 6:30. Public worship at 7:30. Subject of sermon "God." During the week services will be held as follows: Monday sermon by Rev. L. Z. Robinson, of Bentleyville; Tuesday sermon by Rev. J. B. Risk, D. D., of Pittsburg; Wednesday sermon by Rev. John S. Allison, of Dravosburg, a former president of Charleroi; Thursday sermon by Rev. R. L. Erhard, of Donora; Friday sermon by Rev. Logan Hall, of Roscoe. These services will commence at 7:30 each evening. A cordial invitation is extended to you to attend all these services. F. A. Richards, minister.

McKEESPORT CONSTABLE GETS AFTER AUTOISTS

Constable John McKee, East McKeesport, is serving warrants on 240 automobilists, who are charged with crossing McKeesport streets without sounding warning. Hearings will be held before Justice John Ward. The infractions extend over a period of several months.

CLASSIFIED ADS

FOR SALE—\$100 upright piano, good as new. A bargain to quick buyer. Inquire at 406 Mail office. 49-tf

WANTED—Experienced girl for general housework. Good wages to right party. Apply 536 Fallowfield avenue. 56-tf

FOR SALE—Wooden steps in good condition. Inquire at 401 Lincoln avenue. 58-tf

FOR RENT—2 or 3 furnished rooms suitable for light housekeeping. Inquire 733 Fallowfield avenue. 58-tf

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TRAINED TO MURDER

ASSASSINS ONCE FORMED A VERY INFLUENTIAL SECT.

Had Their Origin in the East and Spread Their Deadly Work Over Almost All Countries of the World.

The assassination of King George of Greece recalls the fact that the word itself is derived from a regular order of men pledged to take life, especially the life of a ruler.

The assassin sect was an offshoot of the Shia form of Mohammedanism, but its tenets comprised fragments of magic (or sorcery), Judaism and Christianity, as well as of the teachings of the Koran. It was in some respects not unlike the Druses of Mount Lebanon, with whose outbreaks the name of Lord Dufferin was honorably connected long before he became governor general of Canada.

Its founder, who gave it his name, was Hassan Ben Sabah, chief of the famous mountain fortress of Alamoot in Persia, about 1090. He gathered about him a body of fearless young men, pledged to obey him and highly trained in various methods of murder. These were dispatched, generally singly, to end wars by killing kings or generals, or to destroy rivals or personal enemies.

In order to give them courage for their villainous work, they were taught to make use of hashish, the drug called chang in India, derived from the leaves of the common hemp plant, which is terribly intoxicating. In Arabic they were called hashischin from this fact.

These men followed their instructions in every country, as is shown by the fact that all the European nations have the word in their languages, assassin in German, assassin in French, asesino in Spanish, assassino in Portuguese and Italian, etc. But they flourished especially in the east, where they also used the terror of their name for blackmailing purposes.

The Knight Templars in the time of Richard Coeur de Lion, fought them openly, the leaders of the crusades having suffered seriously from their designs, and also spread the knowledge of them and of their leader, known to them as the "Old Man of the Mountains," throughout christendom. The Mongols massacred the Persian branch of the order in 1256, and the Sultan Beliar tried to extirpate the Syrian branch in 1270. Neither attack was thoroughly successful, however, and the order is believed to exist to this day in Persia, and to be not without influence in some eastern affairs.

Not even Persia had more horrible assassinations than had France at the time of the revolution, and there was awful righteousness in the words in which the tyrant Robespierre addressed the national convention, when he was refused permission to make a defense against the fate to which he had consigned so many, and which now threatened him: "President of assassins," said the deposed ruffian, "for the last time I ask liberty to speak," for by assassins nowadays we mean not members of the sect of that name, but a murderer who spills life blood for any other than a purely personal reason.

Why the Spoon Was Black.

The Rev. Fred T. Paton, son of the famous Dr. Paton, who is following up his father's work as missionary to the New Hebrides, possesses a spoon which is a gruesome relic of the old cannibal habits of the islanders. The manner in which the spoon came into his possession is interesting. He was ambushed one day by a tribe of savages, who became exceedingly friendly on learning that he was unarmed. The chief even told him that he was out to shoot a few men, but as he could get them when he wanted they could wait while he entertained his guest. Before he left that tribe they made him a pudding which was thirteen feet round. It was an inch thick at the side and a foot deep in the middle. The ingredients consisting of a pig and some fowls, which were covered with leaves and baked on top and below with hot stones. He was about to begin to eat with a wooden spoon given to him, when a native told him something which made him halt. This spoon had been used for eight generations as the sacred spoon of the tribe, and had figured in all their cannibal feasts. Once it was white, but human blood, grease and dirt had turned it to the color of ebony.

Tudor Bed Brought Bad Luck.

Antiquarians in the old country are searching high and low for a bed that belonged to the old English Tudors. The only clue is that exactly a hundred years ago it was the property of the Rev. Richard Williams, Bedford, Anglesey. The bed came into the possession of Mr. Williams in the following curious fashion: It had been the property of a farmer for a considerable time. The farmer had trouble, and got it into his head that the bed was the cause of his bad luck. "Surely, some foul murder had been perpetrated in it," he said, and he gave it to one of his cowboys. Some time after, the boy wanted to raise a little money, and he offered to sell the bed to Mrs. Williams. She did not want it, but to do the boy a favor, as she thought, she bought it from him for nine shillings, little supposing that its odd and antiquated appearance that it had been originally bought at the sale at Penryn, the Anglesey home of Owen Tudor, grandfather of Henry VII.

SHOWED INSTINCT OF SWANS

Birds Had Learned the Trick of Ringing a Bell to Get Their Supply of Food.

During a recent visit to the cathedral city of Wells, in Somersetshire, a Scotsman correspondent was witness to a curious incident. The Episcopal palace is surrounded, just as in olden times by a wall and a moat, the moat being crossed at the entrance by a drawbridge with a battlemented gateway with towers in one of which is the gate-keeper's lodge. From a bell-tower in the wall of one of the towers overlooking the moat a bell is suspended, with a cord attached.

One afternoon about five o'clock, while watching the movements of the various birds in the water, the correspondent heard the ringing of a bell, and on looking to see whence the sound came, he observed that one of the swans was vigorously pulling the cord evidently to attract attention. As no immediate notice was taken of its efforts, the impatient bird continued to ring the bell violently until it reappeared at the window of the tower, the wife of the gate-keeper, who threw out a quantity of food to the expectant waterfowl.

On making inquiries as to the origin of this interesting episode, the correspondent was told that a number of years ago a daughter of the bishop of Wells, being much interested in the swans inhabiting the moat, taught them to ring the bell at feeding-time. At five o'clock in the afternoon. This practice has been continued by successive families of swans down to the present day, and it would seem, therefore, as if the birds transmitted to their offspring the knowledge that when the cord was pulled the bell would ring and that food would follow.

DEMAND FOR FURS ENORMOUS

That the World's Supply Will in Time Be Exhausted May Be Considered Certain.

The fur trade in the far north is still on very much the same basis as when Cartier and Champlain first traced beads and knickknacks with the wandering chiefs of Quebec. A million and a half dollars' worth of merchandise goes north from Edmonton, Canada, every spring to be exchanged for the two and a half millions of fur that come back in mid-summer and autumn. So far as the fur trade in America is concerned, the traders claim that there is no perceptible falling off as yet; that, in fact, more fur is being brought to market each year. But in Russia, Germany, Japan and Australia there is a general decrease in the supply. In the past 20 years the world's catch of the 12 most important furs has fallen off from five per cent to 700 per cent, while the demand for the more expensive varieties has multiplied enormously. The ceaseless effort to satisfy this demand can have but one end, and it is only logical to expect that even the great game preserves of the Canadian north and Alaska will in time be hunted bare.

National Pride.

The belief that all foreigners are inferior to one's own people is not peculiar to the so-called civilized nations. Professor Sumner of Yale led to call this national egotism "ethnocentrism," and cited an instance of it from a message sent south by a native Greenland. extolling his land and its inhabitants as greatly superior to the countries and races of white men. In the Journal of Religious Psychology the anthropologist, Grantz is quoted as saying: "The Greenlanders consider themselves as the only civilized nation in the world. They are far superior in their own estimation to the Europeans, who supply an inexhaustible object of railery for their social parties. They do not appreciate the attitude of arrogant superiority adopted by many white men in their intercourse with so-called savages."

Organization of Transportation.

The proposed imposition of a tax on the importation of bananas has served to draw attention to the remarkable organization of the business of transporting bananas. The fruit is packed while green and rushed thousands of miles in a few days before it ripens. So carefully is this business of transportation organized that millions of bananas are brought from the tropics and sold so cheaply as to be within reach of all. As a precaution against loss due to the ripening of the fruit because of a delay in transportation, each fruit vessel is equipped with a wireless plant. If a fruit vessel is delayed, a wireless call quickly sent out for help and assistance is rushed to the disabled vessel, so that the shipment is expedited in every way.

Singers' Little Ways.

Caruso tells us that he knows a prima donna who occupies herself in trimming hats on the days when she sings, believing that this provides a distraction and tests her nerves. Another crosses herself repeatedly before taking her cue, and one famous singer known throughout Europe is in the habit of kissing her mother good-bye and receiving her blessing before going on to sing. A well-known pianist used to carry a black cat about with her wherever she played. Doubtless there are many who are similarly superstitious though they may not readily own to it. —Manchester Evening News.

PERSONALS.

Mrs. Eva Ailshouse has returned from a visit at Indianapolis.

John Tcharick has returned from a visit to Cleveland, Ohio.

Mrs. A. H. Bosson and daughter Norma are visiting at Coraopolis.

Mrs. Willis S. Dorey of Duquesne is the guest of her sister Mrs. Charles Bateman.

Mrs. James Aubrey, of Youngstown, Ohio, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. I. T. Daniel, of Fifth street.

Joseph Schoener, mail carrier on postoffice route No. 1 resumed his duties this morning after a vacation.

Rev. E. N. Duty, pastor of the First Christian church has returned from the New Jersey coast, where he spent a month.

Rev. J. T. Hackett has returned from a three-weeks' visit with relatives in Philadelphia, Cape May and Atlantic City.

Miss Marie Watson, of Monessen, who is in charge of the state tuberculosis dispensary at Monessen, was in Charleroi today. She made purchases for the tuberculosis at the Charleroi-Monessen hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur W. Day, of the Hotel Arthur have returned from a long automobile trip to the New England states. They left early in July and traveled to Maine, stopping enroute at various points in Pennsylvania, New York and Massachusetts. On their way home they stopped at Harrisburg to be guests of Gov. and Mrs. J. K. Tener.

The Stewart millinery have on display at their opening to-day a beautiful and up-to-date line of fall hats. These hats have been selected with great care and comprise the latest novelties in styles and trimmings, pattern hats and their own hand made hats which are so popular with their customers. A personal inspection will convince you. 60-tf.

FALL CHURCH WORK TO BEGIN IN EARNEST SUNDAY

Fall church work will begin in earnest tomorrow, when all ministers will be at home from their vacations. The last to return was Rev. E. N. Duty, pastor of the First Christian church, who has been along the New Jersey coast for a month endeavoring to escape from the annoyances of hay fever.

Progressing on Moose Building.
Good progress is being made on the construction of the Moose club building on McKean avenue near Seventh street. Brick laying has been well started.

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